



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
GOVERNOR DANIEL P. MALLOY

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To: Nonprofit Community-Based Provider Organizations
Provider Trade Associations

From: Terry Edelstein, Governor's Nonprofit Liaison

Re: Updates from the Governor's Nonprofit Liaison

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NONPROFIT TOOLKIT AVAILABLE

I am pleased to introduce the release of the Nonprofit Toolkit. The goal of the Toolkit is to assist you in finding appropriate and relevant information applicable to you as a nonprofit service provider.

Thanks to Brandon Cirillo, Public Policy Intern to the Nonprofit Liaison and second year graduate student in Public Administration and Nonprofit Management at UConn for his work in developing and designing the Toolkit.

This Nonprofit Toolkit is a compilation of some of the information most frequently requested of our office. This resource is constantly evolving. We will be posting updates on the Nonprofit Liaison website/resources section:

<http://www.governor.ct.gov/malloy/cwp/view.asp?a=3997&q=512660>

Please feel free to share the Toolkit.

If you have further questions about this resource or would like to provide feedback, including suggestions for additional sections, please contact:

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FEDERAL GRANT OPPORTUNITY: MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID RFA:
DUE FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2015

Thanks to Senator Blumenthal's Office for providing the following information.

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) has issued notice of a grant to support the training of teachers and of a broad array of advocates at the community level who interact with youth through their programs in Mental Health First Aid or in Youth Mental Health First Aid. Implementation of this program is expected to increase the mental health literacy among youth-serving adults, policy-makers, and administrators of programs serving youth.

Deadline: Friday, May 1, 2015

Background: <http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/grant-announcements/sm-15-012>

Eligible Applicants: Domestic public and private nonprofit organizations. For example:

- State and local governments;
- Federally recognized American Indian(AI) tribes and tribal organizations;
- Urban Indian organizations;
- Public or private universities and colleges; and
- Nonprofit community- and faith-based organizations

Senator Blumenthal's Office has offered assistance for any interested applicants regarding preparation of their application or guidance with project development. The Senator's Office has also offered to draft a letter of support to accompany the application.

Please feel free to contact:

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GOV. MALLOY ANNOUNCES LAUNCH OF MOBILE TOOL TO HELP RESIDENTS FIND MEDICAL AND HOME SUPPLIES DURING EMERGENCIES

From a recent press release from the Governor's Office:

Governor Dannel P. Malloy and the Department of Consumer Protection (DCP) announced the launch of a brand new public tool in the event of a natural disaster, storm or other type of emergency that will provide consumers with information they need in order to quickly and safely get medicine, supplies, or treatment when travel is difficult and business closures are prevalent.

"Business Finder" – located at <http://businessstatus.ct.gov> – is a web-based, mobile optimized database that allows pharmacies, dialysis centers, and oxygen suppliers to update business information in real-time before and during an emergency, so customers can find a store or treatment center that is open and can meet their needs.

For more information, please visit Governor Malloy's website:

<http://www.governor.ct.gov/malloy/cwp/view.asp?a=4010&Q=561646>

CT'S UNITED WAYS RELEASE ALICE REPORT

From their website:

Connecticut United Ways released the ALICE Report, a data-driven, comprehensive research project that quantifies the situation confronting many low-income working families in communities across the state. The Report documents that the number of Connecticut households unable to afford all of life's basic necessities far exceeds the official federal poverty statistics. United Way calls this newly revealed demographic **ALICE**, an acronym for **A**sset **L**imited, **I**ncome **C**onstrained, **E**mployed.

More information as well as the full report is available at <http://alice.ctunitedway.org/>

OPM NONPROFIT GRANT PROGRAM FOR CAPITAL EXPENDITURES: RFA PENDING

It is anticipated that on or about March 31, 2015, the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) will be issuing a formal Request for Applications (RFA) for the Nonprofit Grant Program.

This program supports capital projects such as construction, renovation, the purchase of vehicles, and acquisition of property for nonprofit organizations that receive funds from the State to provide direct health and human services to State agency clients.

- Up to \$12.5 million of the funds for this application round may be reserved for applications seeking NGP funding between \$1,000,000 and \$3,000,000 per project; however, a minimum of 25% in additional matching funds will be required for these projects. These matching funds may not include other state funds or provider non-cash in-kind contributions. More details regarding the match will be included in the RFA.
- For the remaining funds, grant awards will be limited to \$1.0 million for any award or nonprofit provider per application round.
- \$35,000 minimum cost per project.

The official notification will be issued on the OPM and DAS websites. Make sure that you are registered to receive daily emails from the DAS procurement website:

<http://das.ct.gov/cr1.aspx?page=161>

MAILING LIST

To be included on the Nonprofit Liaison's mailing list, send an e-mail to Amy Tibor at Amy.Tibor@ct.gov or call Amy at (860) 418-6287.

- Nonprofit Liaison mailing list – receive occasional alerts, news briefings and updates
- The Governor's Cabinet on Nonprofit Health and Human Services mailing list – receive news about the work of the Cabinet including meeting announcements and materials

MEETING WITH YOU

I welcome the opportunity to meet with your associations and your boards of directors. You can contact me at Terry.Edelstein@ct.gov to arrange a visit.

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